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POWER CONNECTION IN A  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This document is filed subsequent to the mailing of a Notice of Allowance on November 18, 1998, allowing claims 1-27. Please enter the following amendments.

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**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

At page 1, line 12, before the phrase "and assigned", please insert "now U.S. Pat. No. 5,713,856."

At page 1, line 16, please replace "U.S. Pat. App. Ser. No. \_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_" with "U.S. Pat. App. Ser. No. 08/866,664, filed June 9, 1997."

At page 1, line 18, before the phrase "both assigned," please insert "now U.S. Pat. No. 5,836,910."